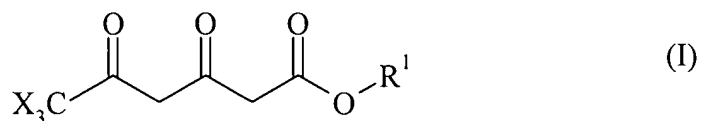
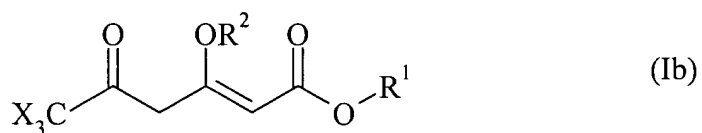


Abstract Of The Disclosure

A method for the production of 6,6,6-trihalo-3,5-dioxohexanic acid esters of formula (I):



in addition to the enols thereof and <I>E</I> and <I>Z</I> isomers, wherein X independently represents fluorine, chlorine or bromine and R¹ represents alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl. A method for the production of enol ethers of formula (Ib):



and the enols thereof (E and Z isomers) wherein X and R¹ have the above-mentioned meanings.